	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
	(Rupees in Lakhs)		
Gujarat	7.00	25.00	36.20*
Karnataka	648.40	707.70*	600.00*
Kerala	1997.00	200.00*	1000.00*
Tamilnadu	82.00	160.00*	349.00*
West Bengal	15.31	81.00*	104.00*

* Anticipated expenditure as reported by the State

(b) As reported by Government of Kerala, an amount of Rs. 157.58 crore has been spent on coastal protection works since First Five Year Plan upto March 1995. During 1996-97, the outlay proposed by the State in the Flood Sector is Rs. 19.8 crore which includes anti-sea erosion works.

(c) Government of Kerala have submitted proposals in January, 1996, costing Rs. 346.50 crore for inclusion in the National Coastal Protection Project under preparation in the Central Water Commission covering all maritime States. There are no specific project proposals pending with the Central Government for clearance.

Violation of Bachawat tribunal award by Karnataka

*390. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of irregularities in water use by Karnataka as reported in the Hindu dated the 19th November, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the steps taken against violaltion of Bachawat Tribunal Award by Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) The report published in the Hindu of 19th November, 1996 has come to the notice of the Union Government. No instances have come to the notice of the Union Government of violaltion of Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal's Award.

(c) Ministry of Water Resources and Central Water Commission ensure that only those projects are cleared which are in accordance with the provisions of the Tribunal's Award.

Base/remote Stations in Gujarat

*391. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise details of Base Stations and Remote Stations which are working in Gujarat for providing village public telephones;

(b) the number of villages being covered by these stations in the State;

(c) whether Government propose to expand and increase the number of these Stations in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) The district-wise details of Base-Remote Stations working in Gujarat for providing Village Public Telephones are enclosed as statement. (*See* below)

(b) 7028 villages are covered by these systems in Gujarat.

(c) and (d) Yes Sir, the Government has planned to cover the remaining villages for provision of Village Public Telephones using MARR technology and supplementing if by overhead alignment/ underground cables and other wireless technologies.

Statement

District-wise details of Base/remote stations in Gujarat

Sl. No.	Name of District	Total number of VPTs on MARR	
		No.of Base Stn. Units	No. of Remote Stn. Units
1.	Ahmedabad	33	412
2.	Gandhinagar	04	38
3.	Amreli	22	349
4.	Banaskantha	32	503
5.	Bharuch	29	398
6.	Bhavnagar	35	524
7.	Jamnagar	30	359
8.	Junagadh	31	444
9.	Kheda	17	213
10.	Kutchh-Bhuj	18	186
11.	Mehsana	07	98
12.	Panchmahal	68	791
13.	Rajkot	39	524
14.	Sabrkantha	23	351
15.	Surendrangar	31	442
16.	Surat	38	537
17.	Vadodara	41	522
18.	Valsad	19	229
19.	Dang	06	108
	TOTAL	523	7028

Comprehensive Plan to check flood in Maharashtra

*392. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than two lakh hectares of land in Maharashtra is liable to floods;

(b) if so, the district-wise details thereof;

(c) whether 'Rashtriya Barh Ayog' has evolved any comprehensive plan to tackle floods in these parts of the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the cooperation being extended by the State Government in this regard to the Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the assessment made by the Rashtriya Barh Ayog, 2.3 lakh hectare of land in Maharashtra is flood prone. District wise details are not available.

(c) and (d) The Rashtriya Barh Ayog has not prepared any comprehensive plans to tackle floods, but has made recommendations on measures to be adopted by the States for flood management.

(e) Twenty five out of 207 recommendations made by Rashtriya Barh Ayog were identified by the Working Group on Flood Management for Eighth Plan for immediate implementation. No response has been received from State of